



## STATEMENT OF ACCREDITED REPRESENTATION IN APPEALED CASE

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<b>TO</b>	REPRESENTATIVE	DATE
LAST NAME - FIRST NAME - MIDDLE NAME OF VETERAN		FILE NO.

All evidence in connection with this appeal has been considered. Please complete and return the statement below on or before the date indicated. If we do not receive either the statement or a request for extension by that date, it will be necessary for us to certify the appeal to the Board of Veterans' Appeals on the present record.

REPLY REQUESTED BY (Date)	NAME AND MAIL ROUTING SYMBOL OF ORGANIZATIONAL ELEMENT MAKING REQUEST
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### TO BE COMPLETED BY ACCREDITED REPRESENTATIVE

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**I HEREBY CERTIFY** that a statement of the case was furnished; that appellate review is desired on the evidence now of record; and that the issues for consideration by the Board of Veterans' Appeals are clearly defined.

☐ I REST THE APPEAL ON THE ANSWER TO THE STATEMENT OF THE CASE AND THE HEARING ON APPEAL (If conducted), AND I HAVE NO FURTHER ARGUMENT.

☐ I WISH TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING ARGUMENT TO SUPPLEMENT THE ANSWER TO THE STATEMENT OF THE CASE AND OTHER ARGUMENT OF RECORD:

(ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS, IF NECESSARY)

SIGNATURE AND TITLE OF REPRESENTATIVE	DATE
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